Natural Gas Act for authorization to construct and operate a new residential sales tap under National's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–4–000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, National proposes to construct and operate a sales tap for delivery of approximately 150 Mcf annually of gas to National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (Distribution) at an estimated cost of \$1,500, for which National will be reimbursed by Distribution. National further states that the proposed sales tap will be located on its Line Q–19 in Erie County, Pennsylvania.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity is deemed to be authorized effective on the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-150-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

December 16, 1996.

Take notice that on December 12, 1996, Norm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP97–150–000, pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct and operate a meter station authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82–384–000, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT proposes to construct and operate a 2-inch U-Shape meter station on NGT's Line 23–2 for delivery of natural gas to Peoples Natural Gas (Peoples). The meter station will be located in Section 17, Township 34 South, Range 3 East, Cowley County, Kansas and will be constructed and installed by NGT at an estimated cost of \$9,000. All construction will be aboveground with no ground disturbance. The estimated volumes to be delivered through this tap are approximately 25,000 MMBtu annually and 160 MMBtu on a peak day. Peoples has agreed to reimburse NGT for the construction costs.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-149-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

December 16, 1996.

Take notice that on December 11. 1996, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642 filed in Docket No. CP97-149-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for an order granting permission and approval to abandon a certain exchange service which was once required for exchange of gas between Texas Eastern and Consolidated System LNG Company (Consolidated). Texas Eastern requests that the abandonment be effective on the date of issuance of the Commission order.

It is stated that on February 22, 1978, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. CP77–418–000 granting Texas Eastern and Consolidated authorization to exchange natural gas.

Texas Eastern states that such service was rendered between Texas Eastern and Consolidated pursuant to the terms and conditions of the exchange agreement dated May 20, 1977 (Agreement), which is included as Rate Schedule X–86 in Texas Eastern's FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2.

Pursuant to the Agreement, Consolidated states that it transported vaporized natural gas from its LNG regasification facility at Cove Point, Maryland, through its pipeline in Loudoun, Virginia for delivery to Texas Eastern's pipeline system at points of interconnection near Chambersburg and Perulack, Pennsylvania. It is further stated that Texas Eastern would concurrently exchange an equivalent quantity of gas at existing delivery points connecting Texas Eastern's pipeline system to the pipeline system of Consolidated Gas Supply Corporation as set forth in the Agreement.

Texas Eastern further states that the volume of gas authorized to be exchanged was a total maximum daily quantity of 365,000 Dth per day of vaporized natural gas, plus a maximum day surge allowance of up to 20% above such average daily quantity as authorized by the Order.

It is also stated that Consolidated's corresponding authorization for the exchange service with Texas Eastern was previously abandoned pursuant to the Commission's *Order Approving Contest Settlement* issued January 28, 1988 (42 F.E.R.C. ¶61,078).

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before January 6, 1997 file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this